City of Milton
Zoning & Subdivision Code
Rewrite

Public Workshop

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Agenda

1. Ir	troductions	and Meeting	Overview	5 min
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- 2. Purpose & Process for Ordnance Rewrite 10 min
- 3. Input on Key Issues 50 min
 - Key Issues Worksheet
 - Map Exercise
- 4. Questions and Discussion 20 min



Purpose for Zoning Code Rewrite

- Increase predictability and simplify development procedures
- Ensure protection of property values, unique resources, and community character
- Address nonconforming situations
- Modernize land use regulations
- Implement Comprehensive Plan and ensure consistency with statutory requirements



Process for Zoning Code Rewrite

Summer: Input

• Summer: Draft Part 1 (Zoning Districts, Land

Uses, Dimensional Tables)

• Fall: Draft Part 2 (Design, Parking, Landscaping,

Signage)

Winter: Draft New Zoning Map

• Winter: Draft Subdivision Ordinance

• 2024: Public Open House, Consider Adoption



Zoning Basics



What is Zoning?

- Regulates how land is used
- Protects public health, safety, and welfare
- Includes a variety of districts single family, multi family, commercial, industrial and mixed use
- Each district includes allowable land uses, building setbacks and lot sizes, development qualities like signage, parking, landscaping, etc.
- Is one tool of many that is used to implement the Comprehensive Plan



What's The Difference?

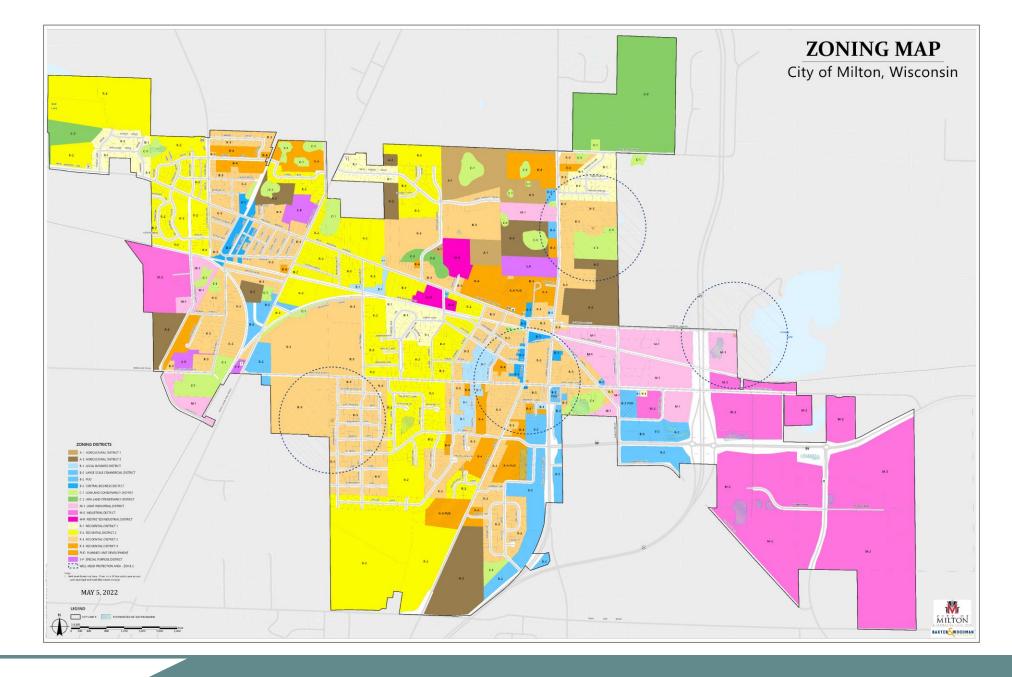
	Zoning Ordinance	Comprehensive Plan	Subdivision Ordinance
What power does it have?	Adopted Policy (ordinance)	Policy Guide (plan)	Adopted Policy (ordinance)
What does it regulate?	Land Use	Future Growth	Land Division
What is it used for?	Implementation Tool	Prioritizes Implementation Tools	Implementation Tool
What does it apply to?	Land in the City	Land in the ETJ	All Division of Land in the ETJ
How is it mapped?	Zoning Map	Future Land Use Map	Parcel Map



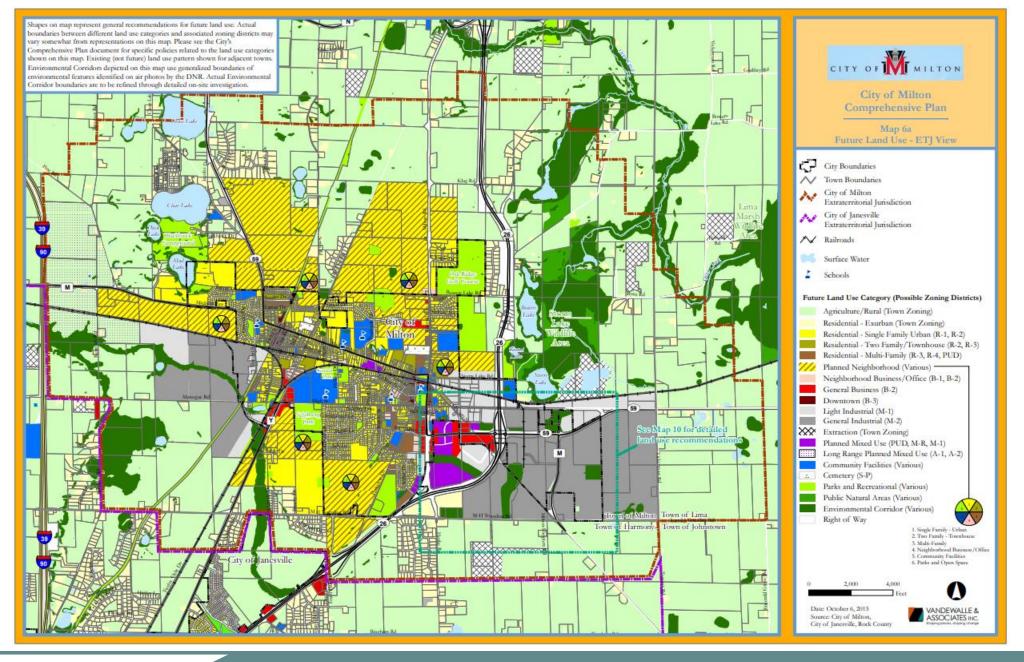
Comprehensive Plan Goals

- Greater diversity and mix of land uses
- Promote diversity of housing types with new zoning districts
- Incentivize sustainable best practices (reduce impervious surface, promote compact development pattern)
- Ensure harmonious transitions between zoning districts
- Improve gateways to city
- Improve administration and procedures
- Become compliant with State Statute

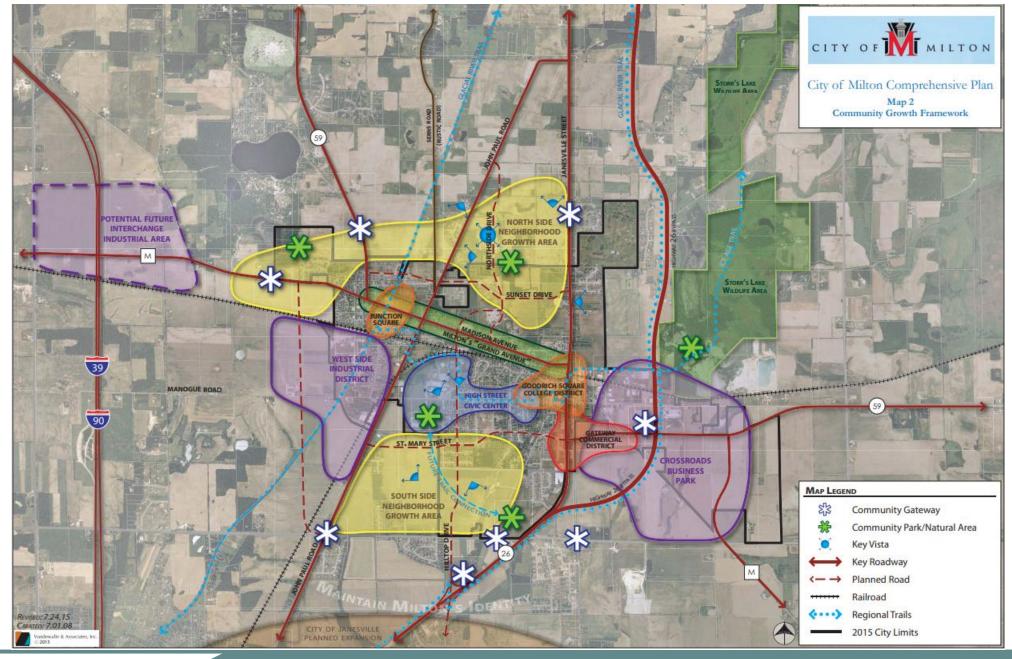














How will this Project Affect my Home or Business?

- Makes all lots and homes fully conforming
- Encourage, rather than limit, reinvestment and redevelopment
- Preserve and enhance property values
- Straightforward regulations for garages, fences, sheds, and other improvements
- Greater ease of administration, clear procedures
- New sign regulations that comply with case law



Key Issues Exercise

Tell us what you think!



Key Issues

- 1. Parking
- 2. New land uses
- 3. Mixed use and multi-family
- 4. Landscaping
- 5. Building and site design standards
- 6. Signage



Reduce Parking Minimums?





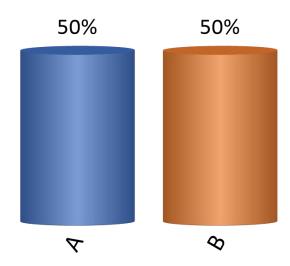




Should parking minimums be reduced?

A. Yes

B. No



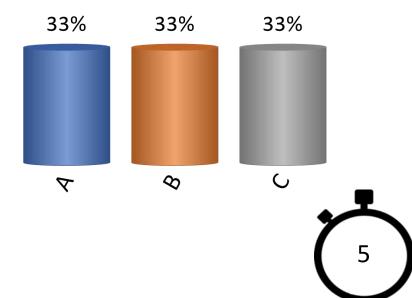






Which uses do you think should be in the new zoning code?

- A. Minimum bicycle parking requirements
- B. Electric car charging spaces
- C. Park-n-ride







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Mother-in-Law Suites & Accessory Dwelling Units







How should the new zoning code address Accessory Dwelling Units/In-family Suites?

- A. Allow by Right
- B. Allow with Conditional Use Permit
- C. Prohibit







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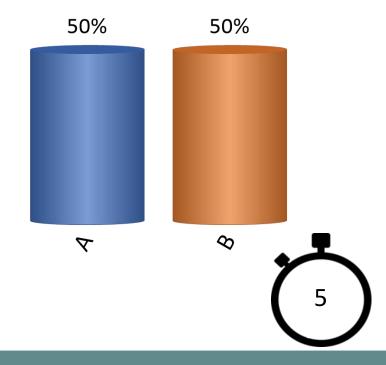
Small-Scale Alternative Energy Uses (Residential Solar and Wind)





How should the new zoning code address Small-Scale Alternative Energy?

- A. Allow by Right
- B. Allow with Conditional Use Permit

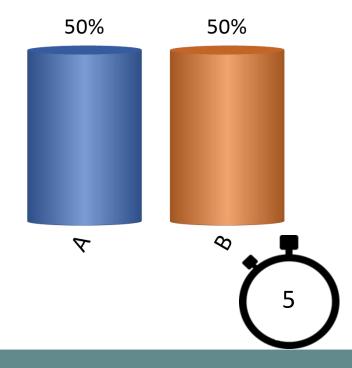






How should the new zoning code address Wind Turbines (commercial)?

- A. Allow by Right B. Allow with Conditional Use Permit







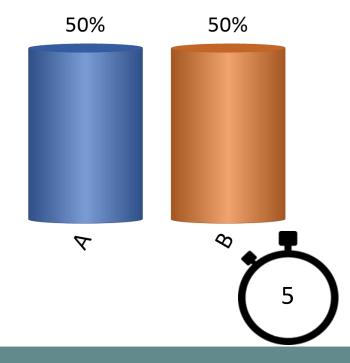
Solar Farms





How should the new zoning code address Solar Farm?

- A. Allow by Right
 B. Allow with Conditional Use Permit



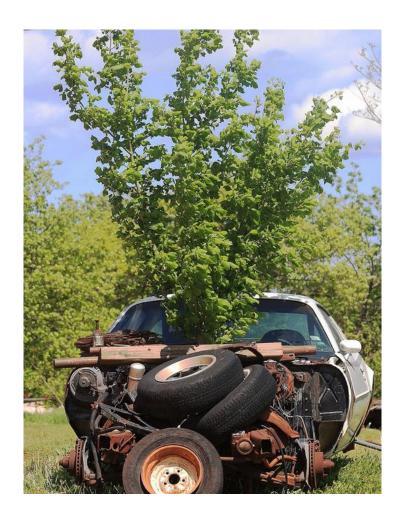




Outdoor Storage of Personal Property in Residential Areas

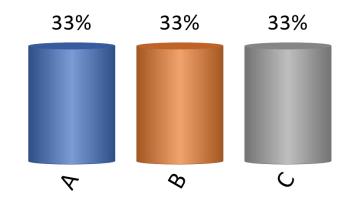
- Recreational equipment (RVs, Boats)
- Other personal property





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- C. Prohibit









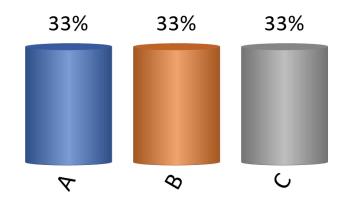
Temporary Shelter Structures in Residential Areas





How should the new zoning code address Temporary Shelter Structures?

- A. Allow by Right
- B. Allow with Conditional Use Permit
- C. Prohibit









Should "tricky" land uses be regulated as conditional uses? (Allow with more rules and a public hearing)

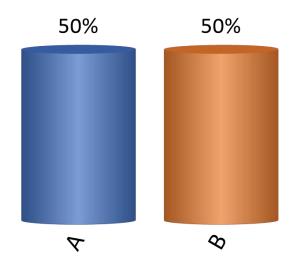
- Outdoor display
- Indoor commercial entertainment (restaurants, bars)
- Outdoor commercial entertainment
- Drive-through sales and service (drive thrus)
- Commercial animal boarding
- Outdoor maintenance service
- Commercial greenhouse/garden center
- Personal storage facility (mini warehouse)
- Outdoor storage (contractor materials, shipping containers, etc.)



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A. Yes

B. No









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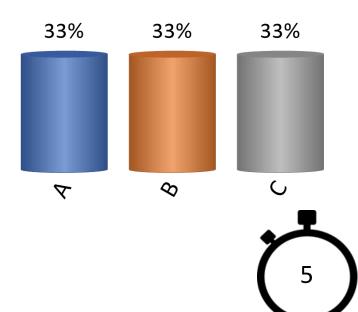
Varied Scale Multi-Family Development





How should the new zoning code address Small-Scale Multi-Family Zoning Districts?

- A. Allow by Right
- B. Allow with Conditional Use Permit
- C. Prohibit

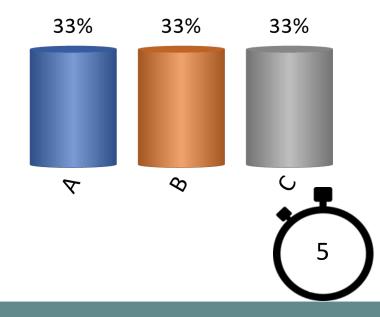






How should the new zoning code address Larger-Scale/High-Density Multi-Family Zoning Districts?

- A. Allow by Right
- B. Allow with Conditional Use Permit
- C. Prohibit







Mixed Use Buildings

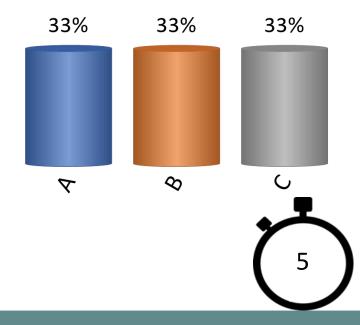






How should the new zoning code address Mixed-Use Buildings Downtown?

- A. Allow by Right
- B. Allow with Conditional Use Permit
- C. Prohibit

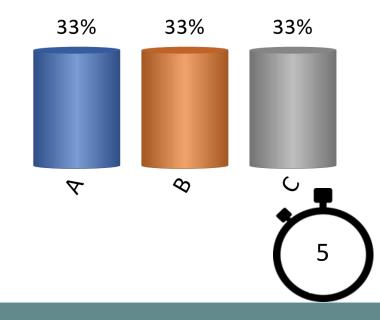






How should the new zoning code address Mixed-Use Buildings on Commercial Corridors?

- A. Allow by Right
- B. Allow with Conditional Use Permit
- C. Prohibit

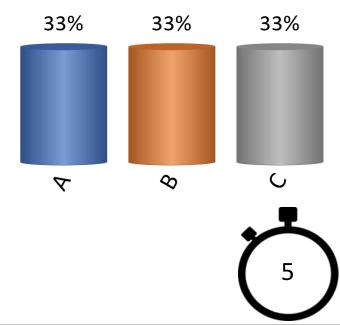






How should the new zoning code address Mixed-Use Buildings in neighborhood commercial areas?

- A. Allow by Right
- B. Allow with Conditional Use Permit
- C. Prohibit







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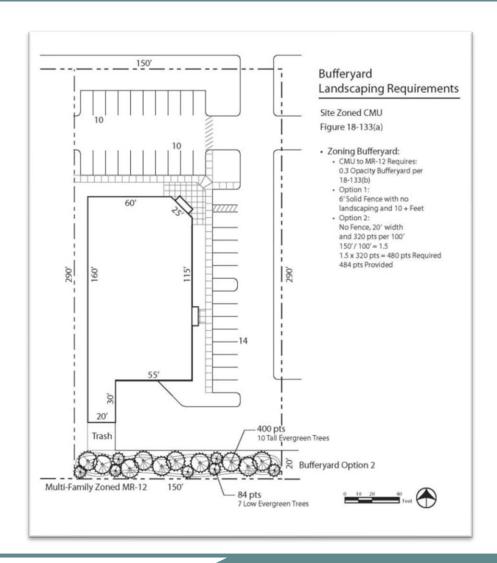


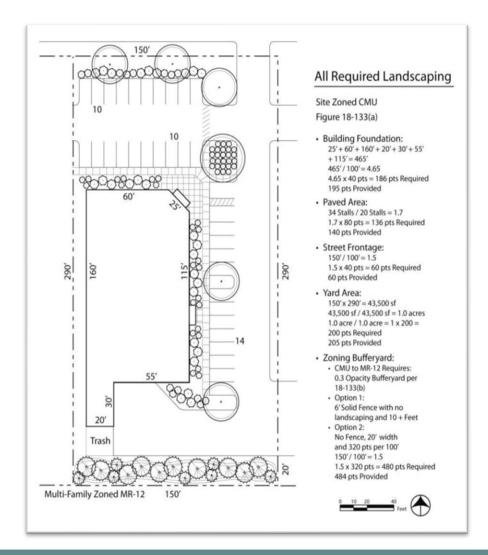
Landscaping

- Point-based system for:
- Building foundations
- Yard areas
- Street frontages
- Paved areas
- Bufferyards between different zoning districts



Landscaping

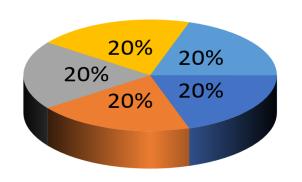




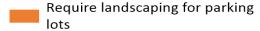


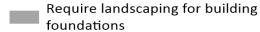
Which landscaping standards should be included in the new zoning code? (Select all that apply)

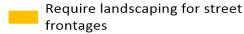
- A. Require landscaping for all new developments
- B. Require landscaping for parking lots
- C. Require landscaping for building foundations
- D. Require landscaping for street frontages
- E. Require buffering between zoning districts

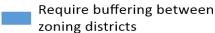


















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Building Design Standards





Form-Based Code Elements

- Form-based zoning provisions focus on the physical form of a development (such building scale and landscaping)
- Modern zoning codes include building and site design standards



Exterior Building Materials

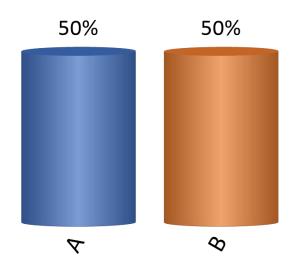
- Prohibit the following citywide:
- Plain concrete walls or panels
- Smooth-faced cinder or concrete block
- Asphaltic siding
- Plywood and other composite materials
- Corrugated metal siding with exposed fasteners (except in the industrial districts with enhancements)



Do you support prohibiting certain exterior building materials in the new zoning code?

A. Support

B. Do Not Support









Downtown Character





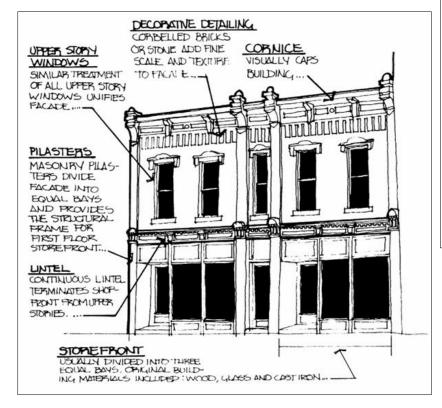


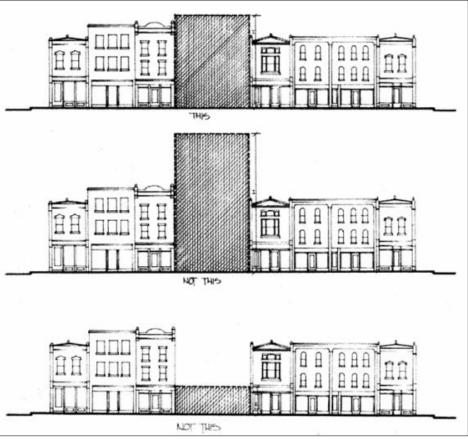
Downtown Design Standards

- Already some great design guidelines to build on
 - Could be more specific "downtown character" building standards (i.e. minimum of two stories, minimum zero-foot setback)
- Signage
- Restoration/infill
- Prohibit the following exterior building materials: gravel aggregate, vertical metal or wood siding, and vinyl siding



- Building mass
- Horizontal and vertical rhythms
- Roof forms

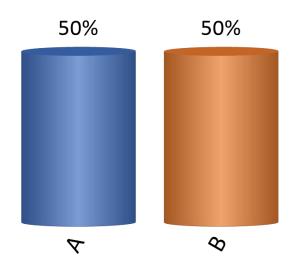






Do you support custom downtown design standards in the new zoning code?

- A. Support
- B. Do Not Support









One and Two Family

- Applied only to new construction or building additions
- Avoid garage-dominated façades
- Encourage compatible building additions with matching exterior materials
- Avoid walling-in windows and doors
- Encourage open front porches with reduced setbacks







Multi-family

Maximum building size

Exterior building materials

Location of dumpsters and parking areas

Site design





Neighborhood Commercial

- Maximum building size
- Exterior building materials
- Site design





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Office and Institutional

- Exterior building materials
- Location of dumpsters and parking areas

Site design





Community/General Commercial

- Outdoor storage
- Exterior building materials
- Location of dumpsters and parking areas
- Site design







Light/Limited Industrial

- Outdoor storage
- Outdoor activities
- Exterior building materials
- Location of dumpsters and parking areas
- Site design







Heavy Industrial

- Outdoor storage
- Exterior building materials
- Location of dumpsters and parking areas
- Site design



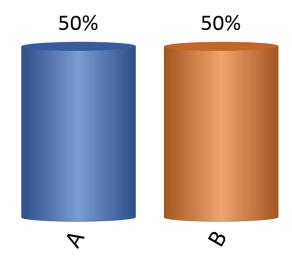




Do you support design standards for One- and Two-Family Buildings, Multi-Family, Neighborhood Commercial, Office, Community Commercial, and Industrial?

A. Support

B. Do Not Support









Require Screening of Outdoor Storage: Commercial, Light Industrial, Heavy Industrial

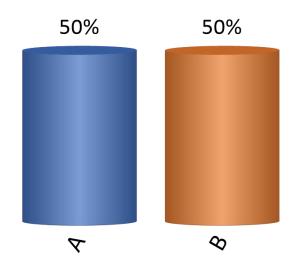






Do you support required screening for Outdoor Storage?

- A. Support
- B. Do Not Support



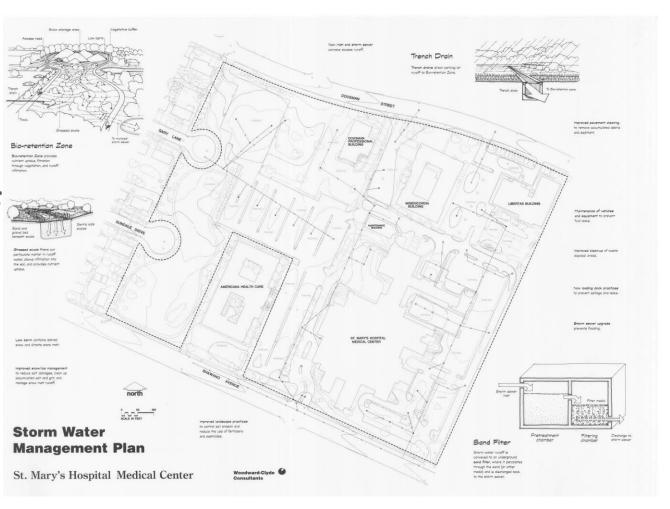






Maximum Impervious Surface Limits

 The maximum amount of surface which prevents, impedes, or slows infiltration or absorption of stormwater

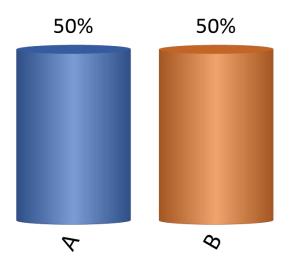




Do you support Maximum Impervious Surface Limits?

A. Support

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Site Design and Facilities That Support Bike and Pedestrian Use/Access



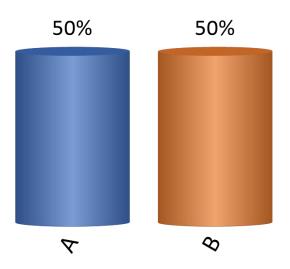




Do you support site design and facilities that support bike and ped uses?

A. Support

B. Do Not Support

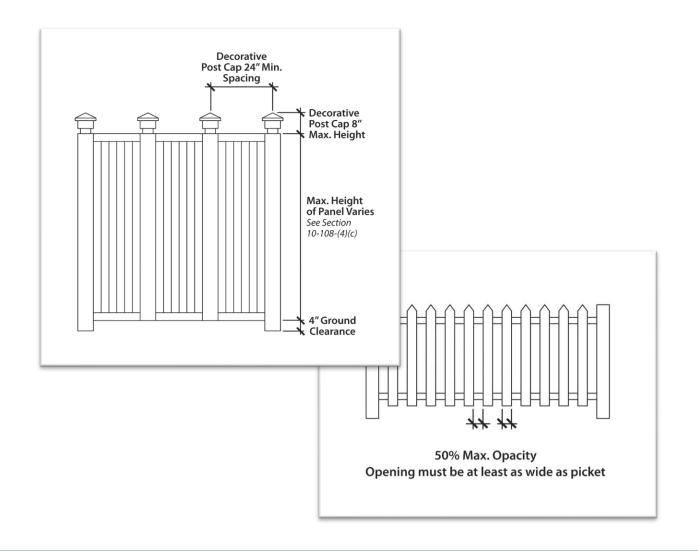


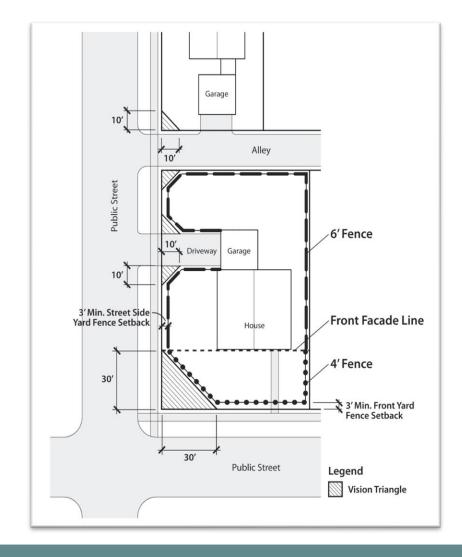






Fences



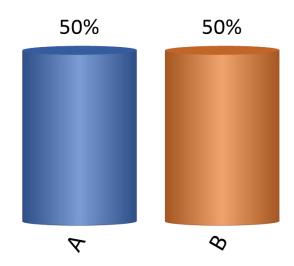




Do you support development standards for fences?

A. Support

B. Do Not Support









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Signage











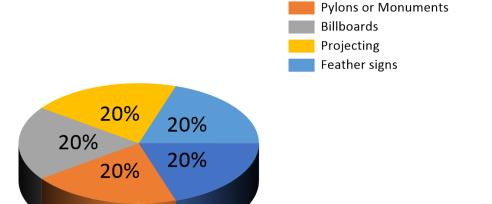






Which sign types do you think should be in the new zoning code? (check all that apply)

- A. Electronic messaging / digital signage
- B. Pylons or Monuments
- C. Billboards
- D. Projecting
- E. Feather signs







Electronic messaging / digital



Issues Discussion



Mapping Exercise

Tell us what you think!



Mapping Exercise

- Zoning doesn't match the land use ("wrong" zoning)
- Poor land use transitions or incompatible land uses
- Property maintenance concerns
- Examples of good development projects
- Examples of good signage
- Areas for increased density or compact development



Mapping Discussion



Next Steps

- Plan Commission Kick-Off August 1, 2023
- Draft Part 1



Thank You! Questions?

